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A. ORDER OF BATTLE

1. Units in Austria

The date of information for units mentioned below is March 1954 unless otherwise stated.

Unit	Subordination	Location	CO and Comments
Central Group of Forces (CGF)	Ministry of Defense	BADEN (4810N-1614E)	CG-Army Gen BEREZOV or BIRYUZOV . He replaced Lt Gen SVIRIDOV in fall of 1953. Name of Ministry of Armed Forces was changed to Ministry of Defense in Mar 53.

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13th Gds Meos (or Mts) Div	CGF	Unk	
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13th Gds Moto-Diviziya.

44th Gds Meos (or Mts) Regt	13th Gds Meos (or Mts) Div	VIENNA or TRAIISKIRCHEN (4800N-1617E)	
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45th Gds Meos (or Mts) Regt	"	"	
U/1 Sep AAA Bn	"	KORNEUBURG (4821N-1621E)	

U/1 Sig Regt	CGF	BADEN	
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U/1 Hospital*	CGF	VIENNA	
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U/1 (?) Con- voy Co. (Rota Soprovozhdeniya)	Unk	BADEN or VIENNA	
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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CO and Comments</u>
Officers' Sanatorium and Rest Center	CGF?	BADEN	Unk*
U/i Repl Depot	CGF	BRUCK (4802N-1648E)	EM in [] platoon processed here.
95th Gds Rifle Div	CGF	ST. POELTEN (4821N-1537E)	CG-Gen Maj (fnu) TOLSTIKOV**
284th Gds Rifle Regt	95th Gds Rifle Div	EISENSTADT (4751N-1631E)	CO unk. Slang name, "Chetverka" ("Fourth").
287th Gds Rifle Regt	"	AUHOF (4821N-1420E)	CO-Col (fnu) CHERNYSHEVICH***
290th Gds Rifle Regt	"	MAUER GHEILING (4806N-1448E)	CO-Col (fnu) VERIGO.
U/i Gds How Regt	"	ALLENT-STEIG (4841N-1519E)	" "
U/i Gds Tk-SP Regt	"	ALLENT-STEIG or ST. POELTEN	" "

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[] Soviet officers stationed in Rumania first came to this sanatorium before going to the USSR on leave, remained there for two or three weeks, collected their pay in schillings, and bought black market items to resell in the USSR. They spent the remaining three or four weeks of their leave in the USSR.

** The full name of this unit was 95th Gds Poltava Red Banner Rifle Div, Decorated with the Order of Bogdan KHMELNITSKI (Gvardeyskaya Poltavskaya Krasno - Znamennaya i Ordena Bogdana KHMELNITSKOGO Strelkovaya Diviziya). TOLSTIKOV replaced Gen Maj [] TYMCHIKIN in November 1953.

*** The regiment's full name was 287th Gds Silesian Rifle Regt, Decorated with the Order of Aleksander NEVSKY (Gvardeyskiy Silezkiy Ordena Aleksandra NEVSKOGO Strelkovy Polk.) In slang it was called "Semerka" (Seventh). Col CHERNYSHEVICH replaced Col [] VESELEV, who, according to rumor, was assigned as a student to the FRUNZE Academy in MOSCOW in November 1952.

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>
U/1 Gds Arty Regt	95th Gds Rifle Div	ALLENTSTEIG
333d (?) Sep AT Bn	"	MELK (4813N- 1519E)
U/1 Sep Engr Bn	"	ST. POELTEN
U/1 Sep Sig Bn	"	ST. POELTEN
U/1 Sep Mtrcl Bn	"	Unk*
U/1 Repair Shops	"	BERNDORF (4756N- 1606E)
U/1 Trans Co	"	ST. POELTEN
U/1 Med Bn	"	AMSTETTEN (4807N- 1452E)
U/1 Hospital	"	AMSTETTEN
U/1 Hospital	"	ST. POELTEN
U/1 Dispensary (Polyklinik)	"	ST. POELTEN

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The following subunits were not with their parent unit:

The 3d Rifle Bn, 290th Gds Rifle Regt, was on the Soviet-US Interzonal demarcation line near ENNSDORF (4812N-1452E).

* The battalion was in ST. POELTEN up to December 1953. [redacted] it had to move to make the billets available for dependents. Present location was unknown, but it might have been ALLENTSTEIG, according to rumor.

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The 8th Co, 3d Rifle Bn, 290th Gds Rifle Regt, guarded the railroad and highway bridges over the Ens river at ENSDORF.

One u/i Rifle Bn, 284th Gds Rifle Regt, was on the Soviet-US interzonal demarcation line, location unknown.

The 1st Rifle Bn, 287th Gds Rifle Regt, was dispersed along the Czech-Bavarian-Austrian border, on the right flank of the 3d Rifle Bn, 287th Gds Rifle Regt. The 1st Bn headquarters was at ROHRBACH (4834N-1359E).

Two platoons of the 8th Rifle Co, 3d Rifle Bn, 287th Gds Rifle Regt, were stationed in the center of URFAHR (4819N-1416E), street unknown, in the same building with the URFAHR Soviet Kommandatura. The remaining platoon was stationed in STEYREGG (4817N-1472E).

Up to the summer of 1953, the 7th Rifle Co, 3d Rifle Bn, 287th Gds Rifle Regt, was on the Soviet-US interzonal demarcation line in UNTERMUHLEN (coordinates unknown), OTTENSHEIM (4820N-1410E) and LANDS-HAG (4821N-1402E). The 9th Rifle Co, 3d Rifle Bn, 287th Gds Rifle Regt, was on the Soviet-US interzonal demarcation line in STEYREGG and MATTHAUSEN (coordinates unknown). The 7th and 9th Rifle Cos were then pulled back to the 287th Gds Rifle Regt caserme area. Presently only the 8th Co is stationed at check points in URFAHR and STEYREGG.

[redacted] all of the above locations of subunits not with their parent units were year-round locations.

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The 95th Gds Rifle Div was charged with guarding the US-British-Soviet demarcation line, its right flank starting on the north from the Czech border and then continuing south between the US-Sov Zone of Austria to an undetermined point between the British-Sov Zone of Austria. Units of the division did not go to summer camps.

Comment: [redacted]

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The 13th Gds Mecz Div is listed in MOEDLING (4805N-1617E). The 44th Gds Mecz Regt is listed in VIENNA. The 45th Gds Mecz Regt is listed in TRAISKIRCHEN. The 46th Gds Mecz Regt is listed in KLOSTERNEUBURG (4818N-1619E). The 2500th Gds Sep AAA Regt is listed in BRUCK. The 59th Sig Com Regt and a CGF Hospital are listed in BADEN.

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(The CO of the 290th Gds Rifle Regt is listed as Col (fnu) GIGO.

(The following subordinate units of the 95th Gds Rifle Div were listed: 344th How Regt; 233d Gds Gun Arty Regt, MELK; 150th Med Tk-SP Regt, SPRATZERN (4810N-1537E); 109th Engr Bn, MELK; 140th Sig Bn; 256th Gds Mtrcl Bn, SPRATZERN; 355th Med Bn, ST. POELTEN; and 103d Sep AT Bn, ALLENTSTEIG.)

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2. Units in Hungary

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CO and Comments</u>
Hq, 2d Mecz Div	CGF	BUDAPEST	Unk
U/i Mecz (or 2d Mecz Div Mtz) Regt		SZOINOK (4710N-2011E)	Unk
U/i Mecz (or Mtz) Regt	Unk	GYOER (4741N-1738E)	Unk
U/i Sep Ponton Regt	CGF (?)	KOMAROM (4745N-1806E)	CO unknown.

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3. Units in Rumania

Mecz Army in Rumania. Its CO was Col Gen GOLIKOV. it was subordinate to the Ministry of Defense. Date of information is March 1954.

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4. Units in the USSR

The date of information for the following units is 1949-1950.

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>
U/i Mtz Div	Unk. Probably direct to Turkestan Mil Dist.	MARY (3736N-6150E)
U/i Mountain Rifle Div or Brig	Same as above	CHIRCHIK (4130N-6935E) (Station-Boz-Cy)
12th Mtz Regt	U/i Mtz Div in MARY	BAYRAM-ALI (3737N-6212E)
U/i Rifle Brig	Unk	KOVROV (coordinates unavailable) Ural Mil Dist

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<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>
U/i Engr Regt	Turkestan Mil Dist	TASHKENT
U/i Border Troops unit	Unk	FRUNZE (5424N-7436E)

5. OCSs and Academies

a. Date of information for the following schools is 1947-1953.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Subordination</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CO and Comments</u>
Inf OCS*	Turkestan Mil Dist or School (See Encls Dept, Ministry B and C) of Defense	TASHKENT	CO-Col SIVOKON.
TASHKENT STALIN Tk OCS	" "	CHIRCHIK	

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officers who graduated from the following OCSs, which were subordinate to the Ministry of Defense. Date of information is 1947-1953.

(1) Infantry OCSs at the following locations:

ODESSA; MOSCOW, NOVOSIBIRSK, LVOV, KIEV, BAKU, OMSK (5500N-7324E), RYAZAN (5440N-3940E), TYUMEN (5711N-6530E), CHERNOVITSY (4818N-2555E), SHUYA (5650N-4125E), and DZAUDZHIKAU (formerly ORDZENIKIDZE) (4300N-4440E). There was an Inf OCS in BADEN from 1950-1953, but it was deactivated in fall of 1953.

(2) Cavalry OCS, TAMBOV (5243N-4127E).

(3) Arty Prime Mover Tech OCS, CHELYABINSK.

(4) Sig OCSs in KIEV and MUROM (5536N-4202E).

(5) Fighter Pilot OCS, FRUNZE (Frunzenskoye Aviatsionnoye Uchilishche Lechekov Istrebitel'ov)

* The full name of this school was TASHKENT LENIN Inf Red Banner School, Decorated with the Order of the Red Star (Tashkent'skaya Pekhotnaya Krasnoznamennaya i Ordena Krasnoy Zvezdy Uchilishche Imeni Lenina). Mail was addressed as follows:

TASHKENT, T.P.U. Lenina
3d Co, Ivan Ivanovich Ivanov

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(6) Air Navigation OCS, CHKALOV.

(7) Engr OCS, KAZAN (5545N-4908E).

c. [] the following academies: Any academy graduate received at least one promotion, and frequently two. Most academies had a four to five-year course.

(1) STALIN Academy, MOSCOW. Branch of service was unknown.

(2) FRUNZE Academy in MOSCOW. For all branches of service. [] this academy accepted only officers with a minimum of three years as company commanders.

(3) LENIN Academy, MOSCOW. For officers in the political branch.

(4) Military Pedagogic Institute, MOSCOW.

[] Applicants had to be active officers under 35 years of age with a minimum of two years of commissioned service. They had to be of unquestionable political loyalty and had to be recommended by the Party or Komsomol, CO, and/or political officer.

[] it was a four-year course and [] there were three faculties: tactical, topographical and firing (ognevoy).

B. OVERLAYS AND SKETCHES

See Encl A for the pinpoint location of [] the 287th Gds Rifle Regt, and Encls B and C for the pinpoint location and [] sketch of the Inf OCS, TASHKENT.

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4. The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident could be traced. [] many officers in the 95th Gds Rifle Div [] had to pay from their salaries for damages to vehicles or property in accident cases, even though the vehicle left the scene of the accident. The vehicles could not be driven without an officer in charge and it was this officer, not the driver, who had to pay the damages if they were responsible for the accident. The EM would receive up to 10 days in the guardhouse. [] did not know how the vehicle would be traced; [] vehicles involved in accidents were always traced.

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6. Column control was affected by regimental guides. These guides, selected by battalion COs, were personally known to the convoy drivers and vice versa. Guides were briefed on the various roads and were posted at crossings to regulate traffic with red and white flags. The last truck of the convoy picked up all guides.

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3 Enclosures:

- A. Caserne Location of the 287th Gds Rifle Regt, AUHOF**
- B. Pinpoint Location, TASHKENT Inf OCS**
- C. TASHKENT Inf OCS**

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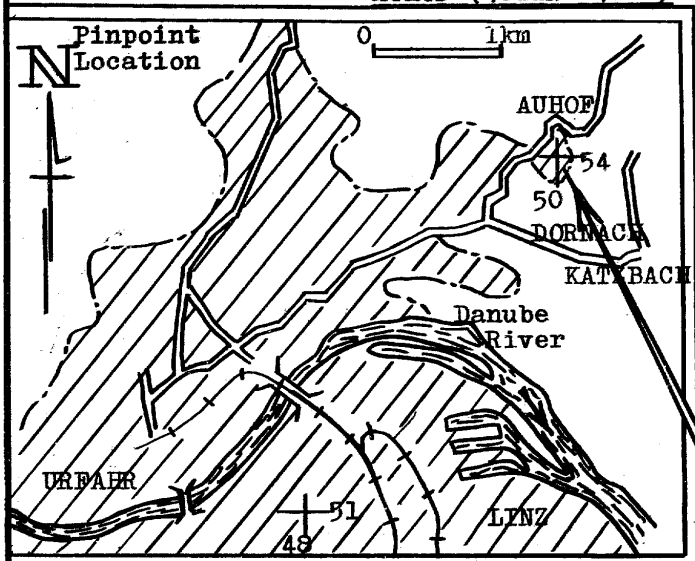
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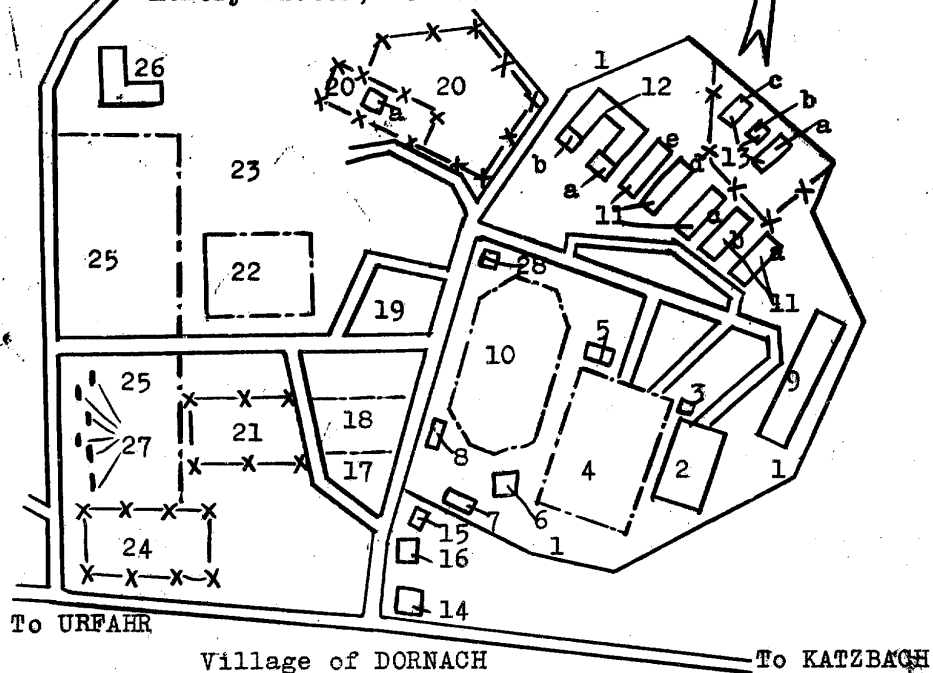
Caserne Location of the 287th Gds Rifle Regt.
AUHOF (4821N-1420E)



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Enclosure A

Caserne Location of the 287th Gds Rifle Regt.AUHOF (4821N-1420E)

This caserne was formerly a German Army caserne. [redacted] the troops of Marshal PAULUS, who was captured at STALINGRAD, were stationed there in 1939. The caserne encompassed an area of about 400 x 350 m. in flat, cleared terrain and was enclosed by a wooden fence, 2½ m. high, topped by three strands of barbed wire. On the south there was a forest, and hills up to 200 m. in height rose in the southeast. About 1000 EM and 165 officers were stationed there.

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All measurements given below were approximate. All buildings were painted gray.

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1. Fence,
2. Vehicle repair shop: 1-story bldg, 50 x 30 m. Had pits for greasing and vehicle repair, and work benches, vises, etc.
3. Gas pump: Had an underground tank for dispensation of gas to regimental vehicles. Level of supply estimated to be sufficient for at least 30 days, because it was replenished only once a month. Two EM worked there, and a sentry was on duty at all times.
4. Garage: 1-story wooden bldg, 120 x 70 m. About 100 trucks (25 ZIS-5, 35 Studebakers, 30 Fords, 10-15 US jeeps, 1 Chevrolet) were stored there. About 80% of the trucks were on wooden blocks and without water and battery, although they had gas and oil. It was merely necessary to fill them with water and connect the battery to put them in running condition.
5. Storage building: 1-story stone bldg, 15 x 10 m. Housed water heaters to heat water during the winter only for vehicles in storage in item 4, above. [redacted] no anti-freeze was used.
6. Gas training chamber: a bunker about 10 x 7 m., covered with a wooden roof. Had two doors and a heavy canvas curtain. Could accommodate two squads at a time. Had an air cleaning-filtering machine.
7. CO's residence: 2-story brick bldg, 15 x 10 m., inhabited by regimental CO and his wife. A sentry was posted there from 2000 to 0700 hours.

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8. Tailor shop: 1-story brick bldg, 10 x 10 m. Four male Austrian tailors worked there on officers' uniform repair and on new uniforms for officers.
9. Messhall: 2-story brick bldg, 100 x 20 m. Part of the first floor was for officers, part for EM. An EM club and a library for all were on the second floor. Three EM shoemakers and three EM tailors worked on the second floor.
10. Football field: 120 x 80 m.
11. Billets, storage, and ordnance repair bldgs: five 2-story brick bldgs, 130 x 20 m, with a capacity of 600-700 EM each.
 - a. Held food, equipment, stock, and ordnance repair rooms. Work benches, lathes, and vises were on the first floor, while food, emergency rations (MZ), clothing, and equipment were kept on the second floor. A sentry was on 24-hour guard between buildings "a" and "b".
 - b. Coal storage. Held about 400 tons of coal. There was a furnace in the basement which heated all the caserne buildings.
 - c. Billets. Quarters for the Engr, Recon, and Sig Cos (about 200 EM) were on the first floor. The Regtl NCO School students (about 130 EM) lived on the second floor. Men were billeted in double-decker steel cots that were 1 m. apart and had a 3/4 m. interval between upper and lower cots. This building and buildings "d" and "e", below, also had political indoctrination rooms, gun storage rooms, and classrooms. The basement held heavy engineer river-crossing equipment (Teudno Zatoplaemye Imuschestva), one platoon-sized rubber boat, several 5-6-man rubber boats, and other unidentified engineer equipment.
 - d. Billets for 3d Bn, Med unit, band, and service units (about 350 EM). Basements of this and building "e" held lockers for individuals' (personal and issue) equipment.
 - e. Billets for 2d Bn and regimental artillery units (about 350 EM).
12. Officers' billets and regimental headquarters: U-shaped 2-story brick bldg, with each of the three wings about 130 x 20 m. in size.
 - a. This part was built up to a 3-story building and was 25 x 25 m. in size. It contained regimental headquarters.

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- b. Guard alert room for about 40 to 50 guards. The rest of the building housed about 140 officers, about 60 of them having their families living there with them in one-to three-room sections. Senior officers without dependents had one room each, while junior officers without dependents were billeted two and three to a room. There were about 270 rooms for BOQ use.
13. Gun storage: an area 150 x 150 m. which was surrounded by a wooden fence and was guarded continuously by a sentry.
- a. 1-story wooden garage, 80 x 20 m. It housed six 120-mm mortars, four SP-76 guns (SU-76) and nine 57-mm AT guns.
- b. 1-story brick bldg, 15 x 15 m. It contained pistols, carbines, SMGs and MGs.
- c. 1-story brick bldg, 40 x 30 m. Housed one ZPU-4, two ZPU-2, two or three ZPU-1, and six SPG-82. This building was off limits to all except authorized artillery officers.
14. Dependents' quarters: a 2-story brick bldg, 30 x 20 m, which was a requisitioned Austrian residence. Formerly a safe house for counter-intelligence officers attached to the regiment, it was converted as of Dec. 53 into billets for the regimental political, technical, and executive officers and their families.
15. Austrian residence: one 1-story wooden hut, about 15 x 8 m.
16. Small chapel and crucifix.
17. Fields: worked by Austrians.
18. Engineer training area.
19. Obstacle course.
20. Ammunition storage point: an area 150 x 150 m. enclosed within a 1½-m-high barbed-wire fence and guarded continuously by a sentry.
- a. 1-story wooden bldg, 60 x 15 m, which contained unknown amount of small arms and artillery ammunition.
21. POL dump: an area 100 x 40 m, fenced in with a barbed-wire fence 1½ m. high. Had POL bunkers. [redacted] it must have contained a good deal of POL because it was replenished only about three times a year. Continuously guarded by a sentry.

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22. Garden: formerly worked by Austrians, who were moved out from this area in January 1954. It then became a restricted area.
23. Target range: an area 600 x 200 m. which had target pits, trenches, foxholes, etc., for small-arms fire.
24. Explosives storage: an area 100 x 50 m. which was fenced off by a barbed-wire fence 1 1/2 m. high. Continuously guarded by a sentry, it contained bunkers full of explosives, AT and AP mines, and various unknown engineer equipment.
25. Training area: 1250 x 200 m.
26. Austrian civilian hospital: 2-story I-shaped brick building, each wing of which was 50 x 15 m. Austrian patients were evacuated in January 1954. [redacted] it would be used for dependents' quarters.
27. Austrian homes: about 10 stone-wood blags, 15 x 10 m. to 20 x 15 m. in size.
28. Control point, entrance to caserne: 1-story stone hut manned by one NCO and two privates.

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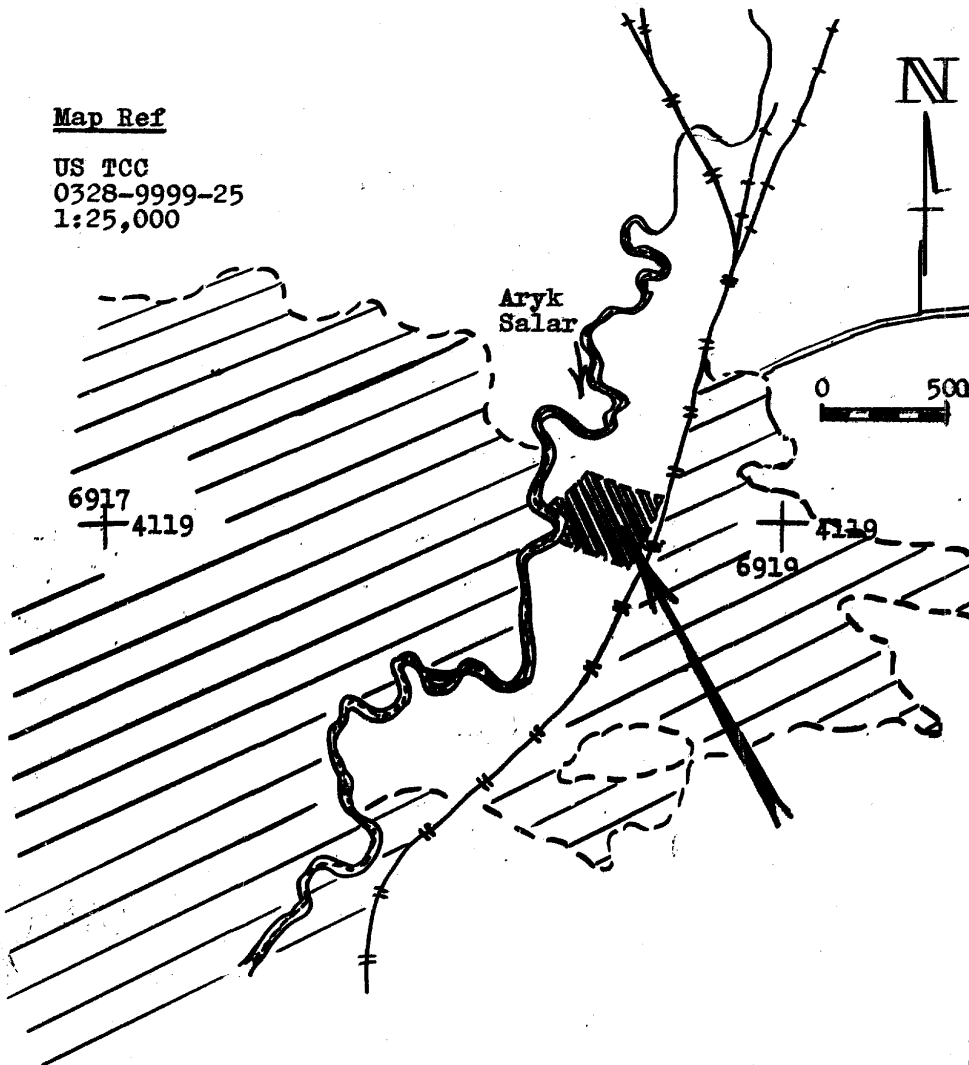
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Pinpoint Location,
TASHKENT Inf OCS

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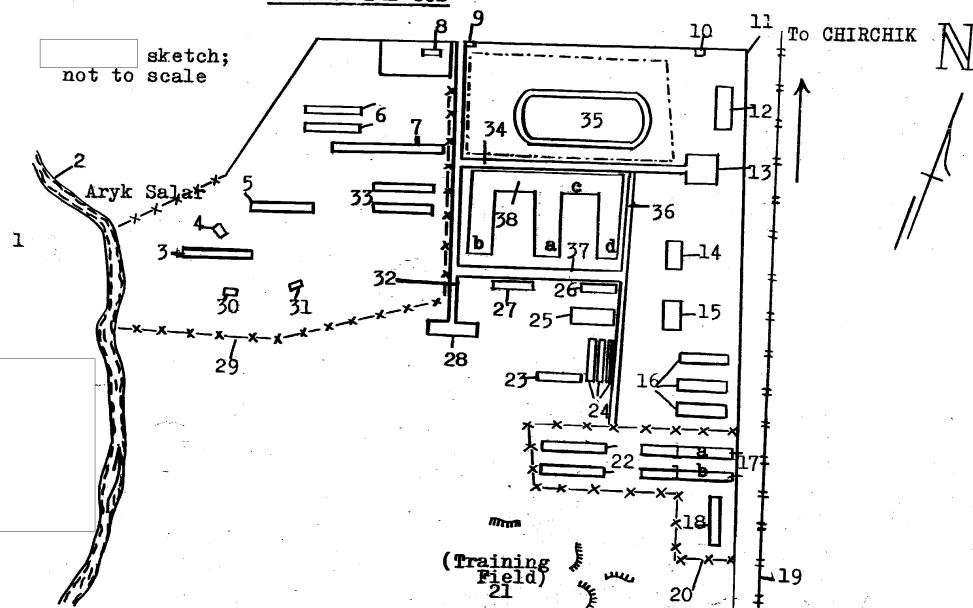
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Note: The majority of the buildings described below had metal roofs.

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1. Cotton-factory area adjacent to the school and separated from it by the Aryk Salar stream. On the bank of the stream were large stockpiles of cotton. Several buildings that housed cotton gins were visible in the distance. Many prisoners were employed there. The security consisted of armed guards.
2. Aryk Salar: a stream whose width ranged from five and seven meters to 20 and 30 m. Its depth was up to a meter. The current was swift, the water muddy. It flowed in a westerly direction.
3. Equipment and clothing supply warehouse: 1-story brick bldg, 80 x 20 x 7 m.
4. Earth bunkers: contents and dimensions unknown.
5. Artillery repair shop: 1-story brick building, 70 x 20 x 6 m.
6. Vegetable-storage cellars: 70 x 15 m, and built two meters above the ground.
7. Gun park: wooden shed, 130 x 10 m, with canvas roof. Contained two or three 45-mm. AT guns, M1942; two 57-mm. AT guns, M1943; one 120-mm. mortar, M1938; and two 160-mm. mortars, M1943.
8. School commandant's quarters: 1-story brick bldg, 15 x 12 x 5 m.
9. Control point: wooden shed, 3 x 3 m.
10. Guardhouse: 1-story brick bldg, 15 x 10 m.
11. Fence: from the guardhouse to the control point, it was of wrought iron; along the railroad it was of clay and earth. The fence was two meters high.
12. Officer quarters: 1-story brick bldg, 50 x 20 x 7 m.
13. School headquarters: 1-story brick bldg, approx 50 x 50m.

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14. Officer quarters: 2-story brick bldg, 40 x 20 m.
15. Officer quarters: 2-story brick bldg, 40 x 20 m.
16. Officer quarters: 1-story brick bldg, approx 60 x 15 m.
17. Transportation sheds: First shed (1a) was for three T-34 tanks and two SU-76 guns and measured 100 x 10 m. The second shed (1b) was for horses and measured 100 x 10 m. Horses were used for small hauling tasks around the school; they were definitely not tactical means of transportation.
18. Wooden shed for hay and wagons: 50 x 10 m.
19. Double-track railroad from TASHKENT to CHIRCHIK.
20. Barbed-wire fence, 1½ m. high.
21. Training field. Vacant, but full of trenches. It had one DZOT (earthen-wooden bunker).
22. Equipment and clothing supply, billeting office and billeting equipment warehouse: 1-story brick bldgs, 60 x 20 x 7 m.
23. Officer and military employee quarters: 1-story brick bldg, 50 x 15 m.
24. Officer and military employee quarters: 1-story brick bldg, 50 x 10 m.
25. Officer and military employee quarters: 1-story brick bldg, 50 x 20 m.
26. Dispensary: 1-story brick bldg, 40 x 15 x 6 m, with a 10- to 15-bed capacity. Staffed by a colonel, senior lieutenant, civilian woman doctor, and two civilian women who worked as doctor's aides.
27. Tailor and shoe-repair shop, cadre barracks: 2-story brick bldg, 50 x 15 x 12 m.
28. Central heating plant: brick bldg, 60 x 20 x 7 m. Had a semi-basement.
29. Barbed-wire fence, 1½ m. high.
30. Earth bunkers: contents and size unknown.
31. Earth bunkers: contents and size unknown.
32. Cobblestone road: as much as eight meters wide.
33. Auto park (garages): two 1-story brick bldgs, 70 x 15 m. Housed an unknown number of GAZ-AA.

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34. Asphalt road: as much as eight meters wide.
35. Stadium. Sports area for discus throwing, shot put, hammer and javelin throwing, volleyball and gymnastics.
36. Cobblestone road: as much as eight meters wide.
37. Cobblestone road: as much as eight meters wide.
38. Main school building: 2-story, E-shaped brick bldg, 250 x 150 x 30 m.
 - a. Messhalls and kitchens: upper story for students; lower story for soldiers.
 - b. Music students' billets: this portion of the building housed about 200 music students, who were from eight to 17 years old. The oldest were sent to military units upon completing the course.
 - c. Sergeant quarters: one battalion of regular army sergeants lived on the first and second floors in this section of the building. They were OCS students undergoing a one-year course. Upon graduation, they received the rank of junior lieutenant.
 - d. Candidate quarters: two battalions of OCS students occupied both floors in this portion of the building.

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